

## BILLERICAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Health, Wellbeing and Environment Committee meeting  
held in the Council Chamber, The Chantry Centre, Chantry Way, CM11 2AP  
on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7.00pm

**Councillors:** P Bunyan, C Butler, E Davies, M Dear, C May, K Mordecai, G Talbot,  
M Thomas, J Tutton

Also in attendance Cllr J Devlin and the Town Clerk

### In the Chair - Cllr J Devlin

**1. Election of Chairman**

Cllr M Moore was proposed by Cllr Mordecai and seconded by Cllr Dear. There being no other nominations it was;

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr M Moore be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

**2. Apologies for absence**

Cllrs K Herlock, M Moore

**3. Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

Cllr K Mordecai was proposed by Cllr Dear and seconded by Cllr Tutton. There being no other nominations it was;

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr K Mordecai be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

### In the Chair - Cllr K Mordecai

**4. Declarations of interest with regard to items on the Agenda**

None.

**5. Public Participation session with respect to items on the Agenda**

None.

**6. Minutes of the Health, Well-being and Environment Committees held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

Members received and considered the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

**7. Health, Well-Being & Environment Committee Accounts**

Members received and considered the following:

**(a)** a copy of the accounts in respect of the Health, Well-Being and Environment Committee from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**(b)** to renew annual membership of the CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England) at a cost of £36.00.

**(c)** to approve the quotation from Bakers of Danbury for War Memorial maintenance works and cleaning at a total cost of £5,570.

**RESOLVED: (a)** financial information noted, and; **(b)** that the membership is renewed for 2024/25 at a cost of £36.00, and;

**RECOMMENDATION: (c)** that the Bakers of Danbury quotation is approved.

## **8. Working Parties/Project Groups**

Members received and considered the following:

**(a) Events Working Party** – an informal meeting had been held with the VE-Day 80 participants prior to the event at Sun Corner on 30<sup>th</sup> April. Members were advised that the follow up meeting of the working party to receive feedback from both VE-Day 80 events is being held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

**RESOLVED:** information noted.

## **9. Festival Gardens**

Members received and considered the following:

**(a)** Town Clerk's report following a visit to the site on 29<sup>th</sup> April by members and staff.

**(b)** quotations for a full uplift and tidy of the area.

**(c)** a proposal that the Recreation working party is reinstated to look at a potential refurbishment and enhancement of the gardens.

**RESOLVED: (a)** information noted, **(b)** that Prince Tree Surgery are asked to undertake the uplift and tidying work at a cost of £1,320 and;

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Recreation working party is reinstated.

## **10. Litter**

Members received and considered the following:

**(a)** Solar Compacting bins – members were advised that the Town Council would be responsible for arranging the emptying of a leased compactor bin and that Wybone would only be liable for replacement of parts under warranty and an occasional clean.

**(b)** 2 pop up bins have been ordered at a cost of £185 each.

**(c)** Basildon Council have commenced their borough wide bin replacement project and have advised they are seeking funding.

**RESOLVED: (a)** that the Town Council goes ahead with providing a leased solar compacting bin outside the Chantry Centre, subject to receiving approval from neighbouring

properties; **(b)** information noted, and; **(c)** that a meeting is arranged with Basildon officers to discuss how the Town Council can be involved with the design of new litter bins.

**11. Items for Information**

Members received the following:

**(a) Walks Leaflet** – Cllr Adshead has been able to reproduce the drawings of the buildings in a format acceptable to the graphic designer so when completed these will be used to recreate the original walks leaflet.

**(b) Refurbishment of Lake Meadows teen equipment** – Basildon Council has advised that following the refurbishment they will be responsible for maintenance of the area until 2030.

**(c) Tree Wardens** – minutes from the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025.

**RESOLVED:** information noted.

**12. Items for consideration for Social Media/Press Release**

None.

**13. Questions from the Press and Public**

Cllr Devlin reminded members that it is currently dementia awareness week. The Town Council is hosting an event showcasing groups offering support on 23.05.25 and has been asked to judge the Best Decorated Window competition. Cllrs Thomas and Bunyan will undertake the judging on 22.05.25.

Cllr K Mordecai  
Vice-Chairman of the Committee

The Vice-Chairman closed the meeting at 7.36pm

Chairman:..... Date: .....